IT COMES ONCE A YEAR,

And it Brings Good Cheer as it did in Days of Yore.

THE SHOPS ARE GAY WITH THINGS

For the Day, and Buyers Throng the Door .-- There are Presents Enough for Folks with "the Stuff," and Christmas Trees Galore.



RIDAY is Christmas. Perhaps the grainmarians would say Friday will be Christmas. but "is" goes, for Christmas has already begun. If sleepy old Rip Van

Winkle were to wake from his twenty year snooze to-day in Wheeling he would know that Christmas was coming. The streets are full of signs of it. Everybody has parcels, and the happiest man is the man that carries the heaviest burden. "It is better to give than receive" on ordinary occasions, but at this season of the year it is best to give and receive. The man who doesn't give presents and receive presents isn't in it for Christmas any more than the store that doesn't advertise is in it for business.

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The places where Christmas trees are kept have temporarily extended their stores to occupy most of the sidewalks, but nobedy objects to that. Everything goes at Christmas. The fact is that a great many things have already gone, and they are hid in odd nooks about the house waiting for Christmas eve. All the merchants who have anything for holiday buyers ought to be satisfied this year, for all their places of business are so crowded every day that it is difficult to see the stock. Though the weather yesterday was beastly for the season beyond the power of words to describe, yond the power of words to describe, there was the same rush of Christmas buyers as on the last few previous days.



Men were to be seen taking home everything from a hobby horse or ex-press wagon-boy's size-while the larger express wagons had a thriving business delivering packages too large for even the good-humored Christmas shouper.

Judging from the number of pine trees sold for Christmas one would think that there was to be a Christmas tree in every home in Wheeling. Not only have the trees been received by the regular dealers by the carloads, but heavy heavy leave the trees the violette. many have come in from the vicinity. They are all sizes and almost all prices, and some of them would be big enough to bear all the presents of an orphans' home or a Sunday school, while others would bend with a good sized doll.



A thritty farmer found somewhere A thrifty farmer found somewhere near enough to Wheeling to haul them in in a one-horse wagon, a small forest of pine trees, and he cut down the whole forest, apparently, and sold them around from house to house at from ten cents

He sold out, for his empty wagon was seen in the evening, and from the load with which he started he must have taken in enough to buy a small farm. Possibly he read the Interlugencer's article on Christmas greens and profited by it, showing the value of a good fam-



Some of the window dressings of the prominent business houses this year are really works of art. In no respect has Wheeling shown greater progress in the past year or two than in the matin the past year or two than in the matter of metropolitan appearance of her leading business houses. Not only have new buildings gone up, new fronts been put in and old ones remodeled, but the arrangement of the goods on display is improved and improves constantly. The displays made by some of the merchants are calculated to induce a man to spend his last cent in the first store he passes. In nearly all of them special holiday exhibits are made, and the taste shown by the decorators is worthy of attention.

The children did not know it was

raining yesterday, and did not care if it was. A crowd of little ones was seen at one window while it was raining freely last night, "choosing" which articles they would have, as has been the wont of the chil iven since the memory of man runneth not to the contrary. Behind them lay an open umbrella, top down, on the sidewalk. As people passed and walked out of their way to keep from stepping in the umbrella, they all smiled at the little party, so absorbed that they did not know there was any weather. weather.

weather.

If the prediction of the signal flag yesterday is realized to-day, and the weather is clear and colder, there will be such a rush of shoppers to-day as is not often seen in Wheeling.

PRESIDENT WEIHE DUE

At Etnaville to day to Inquire into a Dis-pute about Wages.

President William Weihe, of the

Amalgamated Association, will arrive at Ætnaville to-day from Youngstown, with a view to investigating and settling the difficulty at the Ætna mill between the employes of the breakdown

mill and the management.

The workmen, twenty in number, claim that the company refuses to pay the scale of prices which it signed last summer.
Some time ago the two furnaces on

Some time ago the two lurnaces on the breakdown were replaced by two large ones. The output of the old ones averaged twenty-two or twenty-three tons daily. The new ones will turn out twenty-seven or twenty-eight tons, some days more and some days less.

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The management, the men claim, wanted them to continue working the large furnaces at the same price as the old, thereby having several additional tons made each day without any extra

The scale for the year was signed last

The scale for the year was signed last summer by both the employes and the employers, to take effect. July 1, 1892, and hold good until July 1, 1892, seventy cents per ton to be paid for heating and fifty cents for rolling.

When the old furnaces were operated the men who had charge of them employed only one heater, while with the new ones two are necessary at each.

The men employed on the breakdown claim that the company has violated its agreement, in not paying scale prices and they could shut down every department in the mill, having the right to do this according to the rules of the association, but they prefer not to do so if a settlement can be made amicably.

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On this question article 18, section 26, says: "In case a department of a mill is found to be privately working at a less rate of wages than is provided for through the regularly adopted scale of wages of this association, and such terms and agreement coming to the knowledge of the officers, all other departments in said mill shall cease work in order to enforce the price specified in the scale."

The Ætna employs about 600 hands. Since the men went out the mill has been sending its raw material over to the Standard mill, having it made up into iron and returned, a temporary truck railway having been put down for this purpose. The men claim that the company is paying regular scale prices for having this iron made at the Standard mill, but seems unwilling to tay its own men the price of making it. The outcome will be watched with interest.

The Emerson Concert.

The Walter Emerson concert comance at the Opera House last night, being greeted with a large and appreciative audience. Misses Fowler, Webb and Babcock were at their best, and in their respective parts earned well deserved encores. Mr. Walter Emerson sustained his rountation as one of the served encores. Mr. Walter Emerson sustained his reputation as one of the foremost cornetists in the land. Mr. Edwin M. Shonert, the pianist, had a great deal of work to do, but his efforts were not appreciated as they should have been. Taken altogether it is as pleasing an entertainment of its class that he ever been given in this sixty. that has ever been given in this city.

Sents for "Miss Prue."

Seats for "Miss Prue."

The sale of seats for Lizzie Evans's engagement at the Opera House on Friday and Saturday will open at C. A. House's music store this morning. The house is sure to be packed at every performance. The star is a great favorite in Wheeling, and deservedly so.

Aside from the excellence with which Miss Evans performs her part, she brings to it the delightful porsonality that has already made her popular. She is always attractive, her pretty face and figure, her winning ways, all combine to fascinate an audience.

NOTES ON NAVIGATION.

Stage of Water and Movements of Boats, The River Interests.

The river was falling slowly last night with 7 feet 11 inches in the channel. The reports from above were:

Brownsville-1 feet 7 inches and stationary; cloudy and close.

Warren, Pa.-2 feet seven-tenths. Light rain and mild.

Morgantown-4 feet 4 inches and stationary. Weather rainy.

The steamer Bedfordgot away for Pittsburgh yesterday at Sa. m.—The Courier left for Parkersburg at 11:30 a. m.—The Keystone State passed down for Cincin-nati at 11 a. m.—The Hudson departed for Pittsburgh at 10 a. m.

The Lizzie Bay will leave for Charleston at 6 o'clock this morning.—The Batchelor will pass up for Pittsburgh an hour later.—The Andes is the Cincinnati packet and will get away at 8 a.m.—The Ben Hur will swing off for Parkersburg at 11:20 a.m. at 11:30 a. m.

Eve's Daughters.

Marion Harland, on pages 103 and 445 of her popular work, "Eve's Daughters; or, Common Sense for Maid, Wife and Mather," any and

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The report that three man were

enjoying a good run of orders.

The report that three men were drowned yesterday in the water and mud on the pavement on the east side of First Street, between Walnut and Locust, is untrue. If two or three councilmen were drowned there the street might be improved. The grade of the street is too high for the sidewalk.

At the meeting of the Board of Education last night Samuel Westwood was appointed truant officer. It was decided to dismiss the schools to-morrow till January 4.

Most of the manufacturing establishments will shut down only two days for the holidays, Friday and Saturday of this week.

Mr. Harry Eberlein was in the city last evening, visiting his wife and father-in-law, Conrad Long, Esq.

The C. & P. passenger depot has been greatly beautified inside and out with new paint.

Seats have been put on sale for "Neil's Dad" at the Opera House Friday and Saturday.

Miss Bessie Brady is home from school at Delaware for the holidays.

The Prince divorce case will be heard to-day by Judge Driggs.

Rev. If. N. Campbell is at his home in West Virginia. Several weddings will take place this

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The Stockholders of the Joseph Speidel Grocery Company will meet at the office of Joseph Speidel & Co., at No. 112 and 1414 South street, on Saturday, December 26, 190, between the hours of 1 and 8 o'clock p. m., to organize and adopt by laws and do such other business as may be brought before them.

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